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DETAILED ACTION

The reply brief filed 01/08/2007 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

The Examiner maintains his rejections, from the Examiner point of view claimed invention of this Application only describes how a well known standard turbo decoder (as disclosed by the Applicants Admitted Prior Art [AAPA] in figure 5) works using graphs. Nothing new to the standard turbo decoder is claimed for this reason AAPA in figure 5 as disclosed by the Applicants meets all the limitations of the claims.

The Examiner decided to use AAPA in figure 5 because figure 5 uses the same denominations used by the Applicants in the claims, so the mapping one to one to the limitations of the claims was clear.

The Examiner used the definitions provided by the Applicant regarding "essentially concurrently" (see page 18 of the Examiner Answer) for this reason all the new arguments presented by the Applicants in the new "Reply Brief Filed" filed on 01/08/2007 have been properly addressed by the Examiner in his "Examiner's Answer to Appeal Brief" mailed on 11/09/2006 that was identical to the previous "Examiner's Answer to Appeal Brief" mailed on 10/17/2006 with the addition of the Applicants Application number in section "(8) Evidence Relied Upon" that was missing.

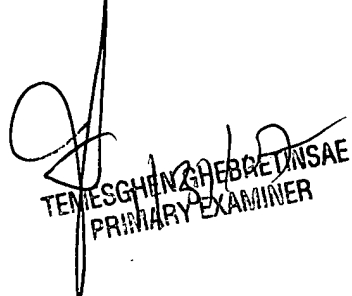
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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Juan A. Torres whose telephone number is 571-272-3119. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-6 M-F.

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